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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR COATING A METAL

BAR BY HOT DIPPING

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated May 26, 2006 applicants submit herewith duly executed declaration.

The amount of \$ 130.00 is being charged as per attached form PTO-2038.

Should any additional fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-1835.

As required, a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements is attached.

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Since all the missing requirements have now been supplied, it is submitted that the application is now complete and in form for examination. Accordingly, such examination and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encls:

Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements; Executed Declaration; PTO-2038 (\$130.00).

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on <u>June 9, 2006</u>.

June 9, 2006 Friedrich Kueffner

PRIORITY DATE



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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/07/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 10/07/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 10/07/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 10/07/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/07/2005
- Reguest for Immediate Examination filed on 10/07/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 10/07/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 10/07/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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